

Questions regarding KPCCI FY17

1. What is the target age for the RFA?

Answer- The target age is 12-25

2. I have looked through the grant requirements and we have done all these things as a target community. So is this for new communities or do they want us as a target community to go through the process again?

Answer- This planning grant will require that each community awarded funds complete a new planning process.

3. How do you determine how much money to ask for with a one year planning phase?

Answer- Individual communities should determine their budgets for the planning period by considering the following:

- *The need for a mobilizer and staffing necessary for successful completion of the planning process*
- *Travel to trainings, meetings, and other KPC events*
- *Supplies and technology that may be needed*
- *Consultants necessary to inform the plan*
- *Activities that increase capacity, readiness or strengthen evaluation*

4. Do you continue to request for the funding for what was in place if you were a community who recently received funds? (for strategies that are already in place, supplies, etc.)

Answer- All communities will be required to complete a new planning process. Budget requests shall only include costs associated with activities necessary to complete the strategic planning process.

5. As a new community who is applying what are you requesting to use funds on?

Answer-Please see question #3 above.

6. If my community is ending another prevention grant year at this time are we eligible to apply for the KPCCI still?

Answer- Any community coalition is eligible to apply

7. How much is the grant for?

Answer- It is expected that the average award for this initiative will be no more than \$65,000/ per community.

8. What if we do not need \$65,000? Is this amount per community?

Answer- Actual amounts for this planning grant will vary based on individual community needs. It is anticipated that \$65,000 is the maximum amount awarded per community. Budgets should be based on estimated actual needs.

9. Is this RFA specifically for SUD's or may other behavioral health topics be integrated into the planning?

Answer- The primary focus of this RFA is to reduce underage drinking and/or youth marijuana use; other behavioral health topics (risk and protective factors) may be incorporated in addition to one of the primary targets.

10. How should meetings with the state be budgeted? Have locations for trainings been determined? Is there an estimate of how many days the meetings might last?

Answer-Applicants should plan for up to three (3) meetings/trainings during the grant period. Dates and locations for trainings have not been determined at this time however, it is anticipated they will be held in either Topeka or Wichita and last no longer than two and half days. Grantees should use their best judgement and estimate their budget using anticipated costs for all travel (mileage, per diem, hotel, etc.) associated with the three training events.

11. Can travel to the statewide coalition meetings be included in the budget? If so, are locations determined for next year?

Answer- Travel to statewide coalition meetings (PreventionWorkS) may be included in the budget. Locations have not yet been determined however it is anticipated that the locations will be different each quarter and may include Topeka, Salina, Hays, and Wichita.

12. Will applications be considered more favorably if they include more than one substance?

Answer- Applicants will be reviewed based upon the criteria listed on page 12 of the RFA. Target substances will be identified during the planning phase, so it is reasonable to assume applicants may not have specifically identified what and how many substances will be targeted when applications are submitted.

13. Is the goal of this RPF to fund new coalitions?

Answer- The Kansas Prevention Collaborative-Community Initiative (KPCCI) is intended to reduce and prevent substance abuse in identified communities and enrich prevention efforts across the state through the implementation and sustainability of effective, culturally competent prevention strategies. Through the advancement of technological supports, learning processes, technical assistance, direct consultation, and other resources, grantees will be supported through each of the five steps of the SPF. Eligible applicants and fiscal agents represent community coalitions and may include local government agencies, schools, public universities and colleges, private and/or or not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organizations based in the targeted community.

14. On page 9 under Community Plan it states that the plan requires that a logic model to address underage drinking. Was this supposed to say underage drinking and/or marijuana use as that is the language in in other parts of the RFP.

Answer- The language on page 9 referring to the logic model was an oversight. A logic model that identifies all target priorities will be required.

15. Can \$ from the 'Community Prevention Funds' planning RFA be used for any implementation of strategies/initiatives or to simply support the strategic planning process?

- a. Ex. Can funding be utilized for strategies to increase KCTC student survey participation in local schools/districts?

Answer- Budgets should **not** include dollars allocated for the implementation of any strategies. However, activities that increase capacity, readiness, or strengthen evaluation are allowable and will be considered, if proposed during the planning phase.

16. What expenses, in addition to staffing time, are anticipated to be supported through this RFA/funding process for strategic planning?

Answer- Please refer to question #3 above.

17. When implementation dollars are available, will funding be available exclusively to the communities who were awarded this planning grant?

Answer- Grantees must have successfully completed the planning phase to be eligible for further implementation funding.

18. When implementation dollars are available, will those funds be allocated through a competitive process?

Answer- Funding criteria for implementation awards have not been determined at this time, however to be eligible for implementation funds community's must have successfully completed the planning phase.

19. Who are the reviewers for Community Prevention Funds grant process?

Answer- KDADS is committed to ensuring a fair and equitable process for awarding grants. Eligible applications will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review process. Peer review is the process by which competitive discretionary grant applications are evaluated by internal reviewers. Peer reviewers evaluate applications to make sure the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with program or legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation.

KDADS leadership uses the peer review summaries as guidance when selecting applicants for awards. The peer reviewers' ratings serve as a basis for recommending whether to consider an application for funding. Peer review evaluations are advisory only and KDADS Secretary has final determination in the selection of grantees. KDADS Secretary approval is final with no appeal or grievance rights. In addition to peer review ratings, considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, strategic priorities, past performance, geographic balance, and available funding.

20. The grant states a possible \$65,000.00 to be offered for the planning stages of the grant. Is this money to be used for salary of a person to implement or begin planning, and does all awarded whether it be \$65,000.00 or less need to be used within the 10 month planning period?

Answer- Up to \$65,000 is available for the planning grant. See question #2 for allowable budget considerations. Each community's budget will vary based on individual needs and requests. The applicant's entire budget must be expended during the 10 month planning period which ends on June 30, 2017.

21. Please explain what you mean by enforcement. May some of the funding be spent for saturation patrols or compliance checks as part of prevention activities?

Answer- The state has been advised by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) that SAPT block grant funds may not be used to pay for enforcement, which includes saturation patrols and compliance checks.

22. Please explain Section K of Attachment A, specifically Local Funds/Cash Match. Is there a requirement for local funds or a cash match and if so what is it to look like?

Answer- There is no requirement for a local funds/cash match during the planning phase of this grant.

23. May the outcomes listed remain the same from the previous years where a group can show great strides in success with the work they have already been doing, or is it necessary to start from scratch?

Answer- Please refer to question #2.

24. Can we get a rough estimate regarding mandatory training expenses-number of hours, location, etc. so that we can get an idea of what to request for trainings?

Answer- Please refer to questions #15 & 16.

25. Grant dollars awarded-can they only be utilized for planning? We are in year two of our community's campaign and don't want to lose implementation phase momentum. Will it be allowed to use some of the grant dollars to continue implementation as we re-evaluate the planning process phase?

Answer- Please refer to question #2.

26. Can the community facilitator be more than one person?

Answer- All personnel costs will be considered as long as they are reasonable and appropriate.

****After review of the questions submitted we have decided to extend the deadline for Letters of Intent; should additional applicants wish to consider applying, Letters of Intent should be sent to prevprogramreports@kdads.ks.gov by 5:00 p.m. CST, Friday, June 24, 2016.**